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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

REMARKS

The following document is discussed at the following page of the specification:

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An Abstract for Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 5-14609 was obtained from a commercial database and is also enclosed herewith.

FEE/STATEMENT

No fee is believed to be due. However, any fee that may be required in connection with this paper should be charged to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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